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In re Application of:

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**MUTANT VIRAL NUCLEIC ACIDS
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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE

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In conjunction with the RCE filed concurrently herewith, and in response to the Office Action dated December 8, 2008, and the telephonic interview with the Examiner held on April 9, 2009, please reconsider the following application in light of the following comments. A petition for a three-month extension of time is filed concurrently with this response.